

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Claims 1-20 (cancelled).

21. (Previously presented) A method of interacting with an information agent comprising:
providing a first information agent as part of a first composition accessed by a first application, said first information agent comprising a software object, said first composition providing a first execution context for said first information agent;
providing a second information agent as part of a second composition accessed by a second application, said second information agent comprising a software object, said second composition providing a second execution context for said second information agent;
composing said second information agent into said first information agent;
allowing a user to select said first information agent and relocate said first information agent outside of said first application;
upon detecting said relocating, determining if sufficient infrastructure logic exists to allow said first information agent to operate in a new location;
if said determining indicates that sufficient infrastructure does not exist, contacting an agent server to request necessary infrastructure logic;
downloading and installing necessary infrastructure logic; and
thereafter moving said first information agent to said new location such that said first information agent becomes part of a third composition that provides a third execution context for said first information agent, wherein said first application comprises a web browser and said first composition comprises a web page.

22. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 21 wherein said new location is selected from the group consisting of: a desktop provided by an operating system, a different application, and a different computer platform with a different operating system.

23. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 21 wherein said first

information agent is associated with a graphic object constructed from presentation primitives that allows user interaction with said graphic object.

24. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 21 wherein said first information agent includes logic allowing communication with a data server for tracking user interaction.

25. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 24 wherein said first information agent and said infrastructure allow communication with a data server for tracking user interaction after said first information agent has been moved to a new location.

26. (Currently amended) A system for interacting with an information agent comprising:

a first information agent that is part of a first composition accessed by a first application, said first information agent comprising a software object, said first composition providing a first execution context for said first information agent, wherein said first application comprises a web browser and said first composition comprises a web page;

a second information agent that is part of a second composition accessed by a second application, said second information agent comprising a software object, said second composition providing a second execution context for said second information agent, wherein said second information agent is composed into said first information agent; and

means for allowing a user to select said first information agent and relocate said first information agent outside of said first application;

~~means for determining if sufficient infrastructure logic exists to allow said first information agent to operate in a new location;~~

~~means for contacting an agent server to request necessary infrastructure logic;~~

~~means for downloading and installing necessary infrastructure logic; and~~

~~means for moving said first information agent to said new location.~~

27. (Previously presented) The system of claim 26 wherein said first application is an email client and said first composition is an email message.

28. (Previously presented) The system of claim 26 wherein said second application is an email client and said second composition is an email message.

29. (New) The system of claim 26 further comprising means for determining if sufficient infrastructure logic exists to allow said first information agent to operate in a new location.

30. (New) The system of claim 26 further comprising means for contacting an agent server to request necessary infrastructure logic.

31. (New) The system of claim 26 further comprising means for downloading and installing necessary infrastructure logic.

32. (New) The system of claim 26 further comprising means for moving said first information agent to a new location

33. (New) A method of interacting with an information agent comprising:
providing a first information agent as part of a first composition accessed by a first application, said first information agent comprising a software object, said first composition providing a first execution context for said first information agent; and
providing a second information agent as part of a second composition accessed by a second application, said second information agent comprising a software object, said second composition providing a second execution context for said second information agent.

34. (New) The method of claim 33 further comprising composing said second information agent into said first information agent.

35. (New) The method of claim 34 further comprising allowing a user to select said first information agent and relocate said first information agent outside of said first application.

36. (New) The method of claim 35 further comprising upon detecting said relocating, determining if sufficient infrastructure logic exists to allow said first information agent to operate in a new location.

37. (New) The method of claim 36 further comprising if said determining indicates that sufficient infrastructure does not exist, contacting an agent server to request necessary infrastructure logic.

38. (New) The method of claim 37 further comprising downloading and installing necessary infrastructure logic.

39. (New) The method of claim 38 further comprising moving said first information agent to said new location such that said first information agent becomes part of a third composition that provides a third execution context for said first information agent.

40. (New) The method of claim 39 wherein said first application comprises a web browser and said first composition comprises a web page.